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SUBJECT: CODEL ALBERT: PROGRAM FOR USSR

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1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES SUGGESTED
DURING MEETING WITH SUPREME SOVIET STAFFERS JULY 31:

A. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF PRESIDUM OF SUPREME
SOVIET RUBEN NOW PLANS TO GREET CODEL OFFICIALLY
IN LENINGRAD, ACCOMPANY CODEL DURING ITS TAY
IN LENINGRAD AND, IF CODEL AGREES, FLY FROM
LENINGRAD TO MOSCOW ON CODEL PLANE.

B. BECAUSE MOSCOW CIRCUS (AND MOST OTHER SOVIET
CULTURAL EVENTS) STARTS AT 7:00 P.M., SUPREME
SOVIET PLANS TO PROVIDE BUFFET SUPPER BETWEEN ACTS
OF CIRCUS SUNDAY EVENING, AUGUST 10. CODEL
WOULD RETURN TO HOTEL BY 10:30 P.M. AND COULD ORDER
SNACKS AT HOTEL IF DESIRED.

C. SUPREME SOVIET HAS INFORMED US THAT PODGORNYY
INSISTS SUPREME SOVIET DINNER BE HELD MONDAY NIGHT,
AUGUST 11, BECAUSE SOVIET SIDE SHOULD BE FIRST TO
PROVIDE HOSPITALITY EVENT. WE SEE NO PROBLEM
WITH THIS AND HAVE RESCHEDULED SPASO RECEPTION
FOR TUESDAY EVENING AT 6:30 P.M.

D. ON WIVES PROGRAM FOR MONDAY, SOVIETS HAVE AGREED
TO PROVIDE LUNCH AT ARKHANGELSKOE.

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E. SUPREME SOVIET BELIEVES, AND WE AGREE, THAT

SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY AFTERNOON HAS BECOME TOO TIGHT.
PRESS CONFERENCE IS LIKELY TO RUN LONGER THAN THIRTY
MINUTES, LEAVING INSUFFICIENT TIME FOR TRIP TO ZAGORSK.
BEST SOLUTION SEEMS TO BE TO CNACEL ZAGORSK AND LEAVE
TUESDAY AFTERNOON OPEN FOR REST, SHOPPING, OR
SIGHTSEEIN AROUND CITY.

2. CONTROL OFFICER COMBS HAS FURTHER DETAILS ON MOSCOW
SCHEDULE AND LOGISTICS FOR DISCUSSION WITH CODEL IN COPENHAGEN.

3. WE AGAIN STRESSED DESIRE OF CODEL AND EMBASSY TO HAVE
HOUR-BY-HOUR SCHEDULE FOR LENINGRAD AND BLACK SEA.
SUPREME SOVIET STAFFERS UNDERTOOK TO PROVIDE THIS
TO COMBS PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR COPENHAGEN
MONDAY EVENING.
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